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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. KISSINGER

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FROM: THE SITUATION ROOM
 SUBJECT: MORNING NEWS SUMMARY

THE WASHINGTON POST

MURREY MARDER REPORTS ON YOUR TWO-DAY SESSION WITH LE DUC THO. HE NOTES THAT THE CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER WHICH THE SECOND ANNOUNCEMENT WAS MADE BY THE WHITE HOUSE HEIGHTENED SPECULATION THAT THE SECRET TALKS MAY BE REACHING A DECISIVE STAGE. (A-1)

SPENCER RICH REPORTS THAT ADMINISTRATION SUPPORTERS, AIDED BY ABSENTEEISM, KILLED AN INDOCHINA FUND CUT-OFF PROVISION BY A 45 TO 42 VOTE YESTERDAY, REVERSING TWO EMBARRASSING DEFEATS FOR THE PRESIDENT ON THE SAME ISSUE IN RECENT MONTHS. (A-1)

TANZANIA AND UGANDA HAVE REPORTEDLY ACCEPTED A PEACE PLAN OFFERED BY SOMALIA. (A-2)

~~THE SECRETARY OF STATE IS REPORTING THAT CHOU AND TANAKA HAD THEIR SECOND ROUND OF TALKS YESTERDAY AND INDICATIONS THAT THEY HAVE CLEARED KEY PROBLEMS BLOCKING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS. (A-24)~~

AN EDITORIAL ON PAGE A-26 SUPPORTS THE ADMINISTRATION'S POLICY ON TERRORISM AND POINTS OUT THAT THE NEW AMERICAN STAND ON TERROR OPENS A DIFFICULT BUT UNAVOIDABLE ISSUE IN SOVIET-AMERICAN RELATIONS.

VICTOR ZORZA IS CONVINCED THAT VIETNAMESE COMMUNIST NEGOTIATORS ARE MAKING A LAST-DITCH EFFORT TO SAVE WHAT CAN BE SAVED. HE SEES THE NEW PEACE FORMULA DEVISED JUST IN TIME FOR YOUR LATEST PARIS VISIT AS SUGGESTING THAT A SETTLEMENT IS MUCH CLOSER THAN MOST PEOPLE THINK. HOWEVER, IN ZORZA'S ANALYSIS, PRESIDENT NIXON HAS HAD IN HIS HANDS A TOLERABLE COMMUNIST OFFER FOR SOME TIME PAST, AS INDICATED, FOR INSTANCE, BY SECRETARY ROGERS' BELIEF THAT AN AGREEMENT WAS IN SIGHT. FOR THE REST, THE PARIS NEGOTIATIONS HAVE BEEN A POKER GAME DESIGNED, ON PRESIDENT NIXON'S SIDE, TO EXTRACT EVEN MORE CONCESSIONS FROM THE COMMUNISTS; AND ON THE VIET CONG'S SIDE, TO STRENGTHEN ITS OWN HAND BY THREATENING A LAST, DESPERATE RISING IN SAIGON JUST BEFORE THE U.S. ELECTIONS. HE CONCLUDES THAT PRESIDENT NIXON: "...HAS IT MADE."

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THE NEW YORK TIMES

TAD SZULC COMMENTS ON YOUR CURRENT MEETING WITH LE DUC THO. THE MEETINGS IN PARIS COINCIDE WITH SIGNS OF DIPLOMATIC ACTIVITY ON VIETNAM IN OTHER CAPITALS. (A-1)

~~EDWARD DALE, JR. DETAILS THE NEW U.S. PROPOSALS FOR A NEW WORLD MONETARY SYSTEM. (A-1)~~
UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY. HE SPECIFICALLY CITED TERRORIST ELEMENTS IN THE PALESTINIAN MOVEMENT. (A-1)

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ACCORDING TO TILLMAN DURDIN, PRESIDENT MARCOS SAID HE PLANS TO EXERCISE BROAD LEGISLATIVE AND JUDICIAL POWERS AND MARTIAL LAW. MARCOS SAID HE INTENDED TO CLARIFY THE STATUS OF AMERICAN BUSINESS AND LAND OWNERSHIP IN THE PHILIPPINES, IF NECESSARY, THROUGH DECREES THAT WOULD HAVE THE EFFECT OF LEGISLATION. MARCOS DISCLOSED A SWEEPING LAND REFORM PROGRAM HE TERMED "BASIC." (A-3)

ACCORDING TO RICHARD WILKIN, THE AIR FORCE HAS ANNOUNCED THAT IT IS SENDING 48 F-111 AIRCRAFT TO THE VIETNAM AREA. THEY WILL BE BASED IN THAILAND. (A-16)

THE BALTIMORE SUN

COMMUNIST DIPLOMATS IN MOSCOW SAY THAT NORTH VIETNAM IS CONDUCTING AN "IMPORTANT REVIEW" OF THE PARIS PEACE TALKS WITH ITS SOVIET AND CHINESE ALLIES. IT WAS HINTED THAT THE REVIEW STEMS FROM WHAT MAY BE A NEW MODIFICATION IN OUR PEACE PROPOSAL, PRESUMABLY MADE BY YOU. THE DIPLOMATS DESCRIBE THE CURRENT CONSULTATIONS AS "NOT ROUTINE," "IMPORTANT," AND "BROAD." (A-1)

THE EGYPTIAN AMBASSADOR TO MOSCOW AND THE SOVIET AMBASSADOR TO CAIRO WILL RETURN TO THEIR ASSIGNMENTS AFTER MORE THAN A MONTH'S ABSENCE. THIS IS THE FIRST SIGN OF AN IMPROVEMENT IN SOVIET-EGYPTIAN RELATIONS SINCE THE OUSTER OF SOME 15,000 SOVIETS LAST JULY. (A-2)

THE PARIS BUREAU OF THE SUN REPORTS THAT YOU HELD YOUR 18TH SECRET MEETING YESTERDAY, PRESUMABLY IN A "SAFE HOUSE" IN THE PARIS SUBURBS, PROVIDED BY THE FRENCH FOREIGN MINISTRY. NO COMMENT WAS GIVEN BY ANY OF THE DELEGATES AFTER THE FIRST DAY'S SESSION.

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